

Minutes
Town of Oshkosh

Town Board Meeting – September 8, 2008 - 7:00 p.m. – Town Hall

PRESENT: Chairman Gerald Frey, Supervisor Carol Kaufmann, Supervisor Jim Erdman, Treasurer Maribeth Gabert, Clerk Jeannette Merten and audience of 4.

Chairman Frey called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**MOTION MADE BY ERDMAN, KAUFMANN SECONDED, TO
APPROVE MINUTES DATED AUGUST 25, 2008 REGULAR TOWN
BOARD MEETING AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.**

Public Participation:

Deputy E. Geschrei W54 was in attendance listening to comments and issues continuing the Sheriff's office program to open lines of communications between the people, board and Winnebago County Sheriff's department.

Phil Grundy, Fire Chief, talked about a possible option to make their rescue truck into a quad cab. The truck is 3-years old. The thought is to take the chassis off and modifying it into a quad cab to hold four people. A preliminary estimate is about \$30,000 and Grundy said they would be willing to spend some of their fundraising money. The reason for the change is planning for the added lanes on the Butte des Morts bridge. The rescue truck current use is for that purpose and with the change would lessen private vehicles parked near an accident that could create a hazard. The fire trucks would still be available for a fire call to town residents. Grundy plans to bring up the idea to the members at tomorrow's fire department meeting. He will report back with their feedback.

Planning and Zoning:

Building Inspector report.

Dave Frank, Town Building Inspector, had nothing new to report.

Alan Fisher; Zoning Change Request.

The Town of Oshkosh Planning & Zoning Commission will meet next Monday, September 15th at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the Fisher zoning change request.

Unfinished Business:

Quiet zone at railroad crossings of Snell, Cty Y, and Sherman.

Merten visited the Federal Railroad website to figure estimates with the quiet zoning calculator. Merten said their terms were confusing and was unsure of how to answer in order to update the SSM code. The least expense route

appeared to be \$100,000 per crossing. Frey will give Tammy Wagner a call back to ask about the SSM codes and gather more information on procedure.

New Business:

County Comprehensive Plan Revision.

Treasurer Gabert in her capacity as County Board Supervisor also gave an update of where the County Board is on revisions to their plan. There will be the opportunity to opt out of the County Plan in the year 2011. It was discovered that the board did draft a letter to that request back in February, 2003, but was never sent.

ERDMAN MADE THE MOTION, FREY SECONDED, TO SEND FEBRUARY 2003 LETTER OPTING OUT OF COUNTY ZONING.

ROLL CALL. FREY, YES; KAUFMAN, YES; ERDMAN, YES.

Erdman had the document signed and will deliver the letter to the County.

Approve Joint Powers Agreement with Winnebago County Sheriff.

KAUFMANN MADE THE MOTION, ERDMAN SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF. ROLL CALL. ERDMAN, YES; FREY, YES; KAUFMANN, YES. MOTION CARRIED.

Approve annual Town Maintenance Agreement with Winnebago County regarding roads.

FREY MADE THE MOTION, KAUFMANN SECOND, TO APPROVE ANNUAL TOWN MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH WINNEBAGO COUNTY REGARDING ROADS. ROLL CALL. KAUFMANN, YES; ERDMAN, YES; FREY, YES. MOTION CARRIED.

Approve issuing credit cards for VFD truck fuel use.

Phil Grundy, Fire Chief, explained the reasons for the Express/Associated Bank VISA card due to U.S. Oil getting out of the business of charging fuel. As it stands today, there is one card per truck. He plans to monitor its use closely and would make changes if necessary.

MOTION MADE BY ERDMAN, KAUFMANN SECOND, TO APPROVE THE ISSUING CREDIT CARDS WITH ASSOCIATED BANK FOR TRUCK FUEL. ROLL CALL. KAUFMANN, YES; ERMDNA, YES; FREY, YES. MOTION CARRIED.

Forthcoming Events of public interest:

Merten mentioned that with the upcoming US Census count, the November election would be a good time to advertise for people to participate. Merten wanted to know if the town is willing to provide some kind of payment for their time. The consensus by the board was yes, but a value was not determined at this time.

Erdman mentioned that he plans to attend the Fox Valley Urban Towns Groups meeting in this week. Chairman Frey asked to have registration payment sent for the Wisconsin Towns Association convention in Appleton during October.

Correspondence:

1. Div of Transp; Miles of Public Highway Open and Used.
2. Time Warner; agreement with Big Ten Network.
3. Charter Cable; channel line-up and service.
4. Rural Insurance; membership dues.
5. WI Dept of Administration; Red Ball LLC Annexation.
6. Public Record and Open Meetings law seminar.
7. Joe Leibham; State Senator e-update.

Correspondence provide to board at meeting:

1. Fox Valley Urban Towns Group meeting Sept 10th.
2. WTA Urban Towns Annual Mtg, Oct 6th.
3. Time Warner Cable, Retransmission Consent Agreement with WLUK.
4. Current Budget Report.

**MOTION TO PAY BILLS AS PRESENTED BY KAUFMANN, ERDMAN
SECONDED. MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOTION MADE BY KAUFMANN, SECONDED BY ERDMAN, TO
ADJOURN. MOTION CARRIED.**

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Jeannette Merten, Town Clerk
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